

ADVANCE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON THE CLEAN WATER ACT DEFINITION OF "WATERS OF THE U.S."

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Comment period closed on April 15, 2003

- Approximately 133,000 comments received, including a large number of form letters
- Many stakeholder groups commented, including:
 - 43 states and 4 tribes, and related associations
 - local governments
 - academic, research, and scientific associations
 - industry and the regulated public
 - nonprofit organizations
 - general public

An internet link to the e-docket, where these comments can be viewed, as well as other background information on "waters of the United States" can be found at: <http://www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/swanccnav.html>

Below is a list of State agencies and Tribes that submitted comments on the ANPRM: These comments and others can be found in the online eDocket at www.epa.gov/edocket. On the Welcome page, click on [Advanced Search](#) under "How to use EDOCKET?", and then select the "**Document**" button instead of the "**Docket**" button. When the page has changed, scroll down to **Part B** and in the Document ID field, type "OW-2002-0050-_____" but replace the "_____" with the **ID#** listed in the right column. Press "Search" and on the next page a PDF file icon will appear beside the description of the comment submitted from that agency.

| STATE ABBREVIATION AND STATE AGENCY | ID # |
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| AK - Dept of Environmental Conservation, Office of the Attorney General, Dept. of Natural Resources, Dept. of Fish & Game, Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities | 1273 |
| AK - Dept. of Environmental Control | 1274 |
| AR - Game & Fish Commission | 3224 |
| AZ - Dept. of Environmental Quality | 1738 |
| AZ - Game & Fish Dept | 1739 |
| AZ - State Land Dept | 0557 |
| CA - Resources Agency & Environmental Protection Agency | 3296 |
| CA - Water Resources Control Board | 0507, 0548 |
| DE - Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Control | 1352 |
| FL - Dept. of Environmental Protection | 1728 |
| GA - Dept. of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Division | 2532 |
| HI - Department of Health | 2887 |
| IA - Dept. of Natural Resources | 1742 |
| IA - Dept. of Transportation | 1212 |
| ID - Governor's Office, Office of Species Conservation, Department of Fish and Gam, Department of Water Resources, Department of Environmental Quality | 2509 |
| IL - Dept. of Natural Resources | 505, 1342 |
| IN - Department of Environmental Mgmt. | 1391 |
| IN - Dept. of Natural Resources | 1740 |
| KS - Dept. of Wildlife & Parks | 1743 |
| KY - Natural Resources & Environmental Protection Cabinet, Dept. of Environmental Protection | 545 |
| LA - Department of Wildlife & Fisheries | 1744 |
| MA - Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, Dept. of Environmental Protection | 2131 |
| ME - Dept. of Environmental Protection | 1307 |
| MI - Dept. of Environmental Quality | 1291 |
| MN - Board of Water and Soil Resources | 1745 |
| MN - Dept. of Natural Resources & MN Pollution Control Agency | 1745 |
| MN - Governor's Office | 3137 |
| MO - Dept. of Conservation | 0550 |

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| MO - Dept. of Conservation | 0556 |
| MO - Dept. of Natural Resources | 0551 |
| MT - Dept. of Environmental Quality | 0506, 1383 |
| MT - Fish, Wildlife & Parks | 1383, 3171 |
| NC - Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources, Div. of Water Quality | 1431 |
| NC - Wildlife Resources Commission | 1389 |
| ND - Game & Fish Department | 1751 |
| NE - Dept. of Environmental Quality | 1746 |
| NE - Game & Parks Commission | 1136 |
| NJ - Dept. of Environmental Protection | 1323 |
| NM - Governor's Office | 1747 |
| NM - Dept. Game & Fish | 1748 |
| NV - Dept. of Agriculture | 3378 |
| NY - Dept. of Environmental Conservation | 1749 |
| NY - Office of the Attorney General | 1750 |
| OH - Dept. of Natural Resources | 555 |
| OK - Dept. of Wildlife Conservation | 1752 |
| OK - Office of the Attorney General | 3071 |
| PA - Dept. of Environmental Protection | 1302 |
| PA - Fish & Boat Commission | 0554 |
| PA - Game Commission | 0546 |
| RI - Dept. of Environmental Management | 1348 |
| SC - Dept. Health & Environmental Control | 0071, 1337 |
| SC - Dept. Health & Environmental Control | 558 |
| SC - Dept. of Natural Resources | 543 |
| SD - Dept. Game, Fish & Parks | 1235 |
| SD - Dept. of Agriculture | 0552 |
| SD - Dept. of Environment & Natural Resources | 1753 |
| TN - Wildlife Resources Agency | 0544 |
| TX - Commission on Environmental Quality | 1729 |
| TX - General Land Office | 1754 |
| TX - Parks & Wildlife | 1730 |
| VA - Dept. of Conservation & Recreation | 1737 |
| VA - Dept. of Environmental Quality | 3227 |
| VA - Dept. of Game & Inland Fisheries | 1760 |
| VT - Dept. Environmental Conservation | 1330 |
| WA - Dept. of Ecology | 1756 |
| WA - Dept. of Natural Resources | 2896 |
| WA - Dept. of Natural Resources | 0563 |
| WI - Dept. of Natural Resources | 1303 |
| WV - Dept. of Environmental Protection | 1755 |
| WV - Div. of Natural Resources | 0547 |
| WY - Game & Fish Department | 0553 |
| WY - Office of Fed Land Policy | 0553 |
| WY - Water Devel Commission | 0553 |
| Coastal States Association - see Note for State Signatories | 2402 |
| Tribe: Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes | 1878 |
| Tribe: Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians | 1895 |
| Tribe: Navajo Nation - Navajo EPA | 2788 |
| Tribe: Nez Perce - Tribal Executive Committee | 0560 |
| Note: AL, AK, CA, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, LA, MA, MD, MA, MI, MN, MI, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OR, OH, PA, RI, SC, TX, VA, WA, WI, American Samoa, Guam, N, Marianas, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands | |